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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

In re Application of:

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts, dated August 10, 2001. With this extension, a response is due on or before Monday, November 12, 2001.

## **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail, with sufficient postage and an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Enclosed is a check for \$110.00 to pay the extension fee, which covers the fee for a one-month extension. The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is authorized to charge any amount due or credit any overpayment to Baker & McKenzie's Deposit Account No. 02-0410. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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